

# LEARNING CONNECTION

May/June 2010

## Library Updates

Starting in May, you will be able to use credit cards with the Visa or MasterCard logo at the self-checkout stations in all Library locations to pay fees and fines.



The Carlsbad History Room, located in the Cole Library, keeps the past alive by collecting and preserving local history and making it available for research. Call 760-434-2898 for more information.

Try the new downloadable audiobooks. They're available free to anyone with a Carlsbad City Library card. Visit the website (www.carlsbadlibrary.org) and click on the link under "Featured Online Service." There are more than 2,000 titles available in our NetLibrary subscription.

## Tutor Conference

READ/ San Diego's 20th Annual Tutor Conference will be held at the Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice at the University of San Diego, on Saturday, June 12, from 8:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. In addition to a choice of 14 workshops, the registration fee includes teaching skills. Join literacy tutors, a continental breakfast and catered luncheon.

The keynote speech by Maryanne Wolf will be presented during lunch. She is a professor at Tufts University and the author of the award-winning book, Proust and the Squid: The Story and Science form is available at the Literacy of the Reading Brain.

She received her doctorate from Harvard University, where she began her work on the neurological underpinnings of reading, language, and dyslexia. This conference provides opportunities for learning and practicing innovative teachers and literacy professionals from across California for a day of informative, enjoyable hands-on workshops.

Comprehensive information about this conference, a schedule of workshop topics, and a registration Services Help desk.

#### Annual Celebration

Mark your calendars to attend our Tutor/Learner annual Celebration on Sunday, June 6, from noon-2:00 p.m. at the Carlsbad Senior Center.

This event brings us together to recognize the accomplishments of everyone in Literacy Services during the past year.

Join us for a buffet from Daphne's Greek Café and hear about our accomplishments including personal stories from our guest speakers. Your family members are welcome. Seating is limited, so please call 760-931-4510 with the number of people who will be coming in your group. Hope to see you there!



#### And the winner is...stay tuned!

The San Diego Council on Literacy's public service announcement (PSA), has been nominated for an Emmy®!

This is exciting news because this promotional spot was filmed at the site of the former Adult Learning Program and featured Carlsbad and ALLI (Adult Learner Leadership Institute) learners.

The National Association of Television Arts and Sciences (San Diego, Pacific Southwest Chapter) nominated this Time-Warner Cable-produced PSA for an Emmy® under the category of Best Public Service Announcement. Award winners will be announced on June 26.

## Planning Ahead for Summer

Summer is coming, and many of you may be planning vacations. Also, some of you may have friends or family members coming to visit.

Our tutoring program is year-round, so we do not take the summer off. Please talk to your learning partner and to the staff as soon as possible if you are planning to take time off over the summer.

Remember that adults and older children are welcome to use the library downstairs during open hours while you have your tutoring session (Monday-Thursday 11 am-6 pm, and Friday 11 am-5 pm).



If you are unable to attend during the summer, please let us know so that we can plan to rematch you with a new learning partner when you return in the fall.

#### Come to Book Club!

Learners are invited to join the ongoing Literacy Services book club at any time.



Our book club gives learners the chance to

read a book and discuss it with their peers. Meetings are very informal. Participants discuss anything and everything about the current book.

Learners will receive a free copy of the monthly book and are given one month to read the book. Learners of all reading levels are encouraged to attend. If the book is too difficult to read, a free CD recording of the book is oftentimes available. Learners are encouraged to follow along in the book as they listen to the CD.

The group meets on the last Tuesday of every month at 6:00 pm. Monthly meetings last for about one hour and snacks are provided. Tutors are also encouraged to attend with their learners, but please note that we will not be able to give tutors a copy of the book.

Book club meetings are led by Literacy Services staff member Deanna. Please see any staff member for more information and to sign up!

#### Schedule Changes

Thank you for calling in when you have schedule changes. This helps us reserve rooms more efficiently. We can make sure you have a room for the new time, and the room that is available because you cancelled might help other learning pairs.

Friday (all day) is a great time to schedule a session because few pairs meet that day.



## Phono-graphix "Remodel"

We're in the middle of a Phono-graphix overhaul, and when it's all finished, you will see these benefits:

- Graphics and stories will be updated and have a new look
- Instructions for the lessons will be easier to use
- Errors will be corrected
- Earth-friendly laminated worksheets can be re-used

So, please pardon our "remodel." While we are working, you may notice that the title of a story does not match what it says in the lesson plan. Please use the story that is filed in the file folder with the lesson plan, ignoring the particular title.

Within a few months we should have the lesson plans updated completely. Thanks for your patience while we make these changes.

We set a new record in March...

1,469.4 volunteer hours!



Leslie R. – banner paper

**Anna M**. – copy paper

Betty G. – kumquats

**Harriet N.** – Special K bars

Gary R. – book

Ljiljana C.—Easter cookies

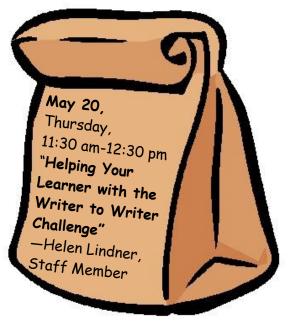
Karen B. - hand lotion

Patricia G. – candies

Elmer R. – magazines

Nyla H. - books

## Tutor Brown Bag Sessions







## New Books Received in April

#### Non-Fiction:

ADD-Friendly Ways to Organize Your Life  $\,$  (LIT 616.8589 KOL)

2,000+ Essential English Verbs (LIT 428.2 STR)

The Gift of Dyslexia (LIT 371.9144 DAV)

**Discipline Without Shouting or Spanking** (LIT 649.64 WYC)

Redirecting Children's Behavior (LIT 649.1 KVO)

Images of America: Carlsbad (LIT 979.498 SPR)

Remember the Ladies: 100 Great American Women (LIT

305.40973 HAR)

Organizing Solutions for People with Attention Deficit Disorder (LIT 616.8589 PIN)

American Idioms and Some Phrases Just for Fun (LIT 428.24 SWI)

More Stories Plus (LIT TEXT 428.43 GIA)

#### Fiction

Junkyard Dan Series, by Elise Leonard

**Bloody Knife** 

Start of a New Dan

**Finished** 

The Smith Brothers Series, by Elise Leonard

The Hard Way

Get a Clue

All for One

When in Rome

The Bluest Eye, by Toni Morrison

Nights in Rodanthe, by Nicholas Sparks

The Notebook, by Nicholas Sparks

The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants, by Ann Brashares

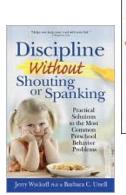
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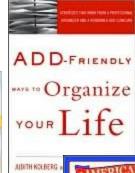
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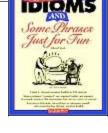
Little Women, by Louisa May Alcott

The Bridges of Madison County, by Robert James Waller

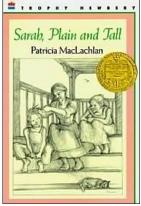
On the Banks of Plum Creek, by Laura Ingalls Wilder

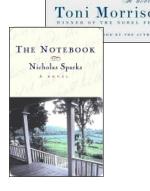












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